

London Lancet we learn, that in the section of School Hygiene, the following resolutions were passed:—

1. "In order to promote scientific researches, and the teaching of Hygiene, all High Schools should be provided with properly endowed professorships of Hygiene."

2. "That for the propagation of Hygienic knowledge in all branches of instruction it is necessary to create medical officers for schools, and that these medical officers should be required to give instruction in Hygiene."

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THE STUDY OF CHILDREN.*

My discourse this morning will be a plain, simple, homely talk on this new movement which I think promises to give education a more scientific character than it has ever had before, and to make the work of every teacher and every scholar more effective. This study of children is one of the newest movements in the field of education. It is scarcely a decade and a half since we began this study. It is a significant fact that this movement began and has had its latest career in this country, because here, more than anywhere else, we need to take a fresh hold of life.

I was not surprised to read in a recent report the statement of an earnest and prominent writer that this and the next decade will be known as the age of psychology just as the last two or three decades are known as the age of evolution. The significance of this rests in the fact that in every department of life there seems to be a tendency toward a kind of harvest home to bring the best results of science in every form to bear upon the study of a man. It is in this that all the sciences seem to have come to a focus.

But my study this morning is only a small section in this field. Yet, small as it is, it is far too large for a single hour. In my own university I undertook a year ago or more to give a course upon the Study of Children, and I am pleased to say that there seemed to be substance and interest enough to run it with graduate students, and there was meat enough for a good, sound, robust examination at the end.

This movement began in this country 13 years ago by an inventory made by six primary teachers in the Boston schools. They took three or four children at a time in a room by them-

* Report of an Address by Dr. G. Stanley Hall.